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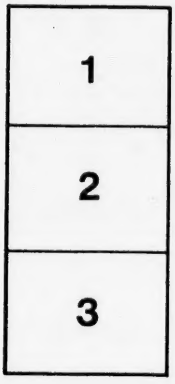


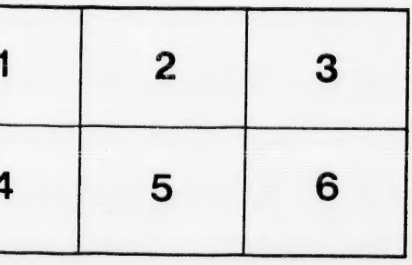

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PROVINCE OF QUEBEC,
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# By-Law No. 198

At a regular monthly session of the municipal council of the city of Sherbrooke, held in the city council room, in the said city, on Tuesday, the 23rd day of May, A. D., 1899 duly convened in conformity with the provivions of the city charter, at which session were present:

Mayor H. R. Fraser and councillors Hebert, Olivier, Worthington, Fortier, Fuller, Guay, Jenckes, Belanger and McManamy, members of said council and forming a quorum thereof under the presidency of Mayor H. R. Fraser, Esq.

It is ordained and enacted by By-law of the said council as follows, to wit:

## BY LAW NO. 198.

1. From and after the 15th day of June, 1899, all rules and regulations for the management of the Sherbrooke Water Works, and the tariff of water rates heretofore existing, are hereby revoked and replaced, and the tariff of rates herein provided shall be hereafter imposed and levied for water supplied from said water works.

2. The said rates, with the exception of measured water, shall become due and payable quarterly in advance, on the fifteenth days of March, June, September and December, and if not paid within twenty days thereafter the water may be turned off from the premises supplied; and if not paid at the expiration of the current quarter, the water shall be turned off, and when turned off for non payment, the sum of fifty cents (50c) shall be added to the amount due for turning on the water. Bills for fractions of the quarter and for services must be paid before the water will be turned on. Measured water shall be paid for quarterly, within ten days after it has become due, or water will be turned off, and a charge of fifty cents (50c) be added for turning on the water again.

3. No deduction shall be made from any bill for water, for non use of same, unless the owner or occupant of premises supplied shall have

given notice in writing at the water works office for the water to be turned off. Persons removing from any premises, who have paid full rates in advance, will be entitled to an allowance for the time unexpired, provided written notice is given at the water works office at the time of such removal. However, no rebate allowed for less than one month.

4. No application shall be entertained for water to supply any premises or person in respect of which rates or rent are due to the city, until such indebtedness is paid. The water may be withheld from any person who is in arrears for water rates until the amount due is paid, whether such person resides on the premises where the water was used for which they are in arrears, or on any other premises. Persons vacating premises must give notice in writing at the water works office to have the water turned off, otherwise they will be held liable for the rates therefor.

5. If at any time it appears that a wrong statement has been made of the number of rooms in a house or the purpose for which the water was to be used, or there has been an addition to or alteration of premises or the fixtures in the same, the water shall be shut off and not be again turned on until a satisfactory settlement is made with the Water Department.

6. The superintendent may have the water shut off from the premises of any person not complying with the terms of this By-law, and in cases where the water has been shut off for allowing waste or leaks or defects in pipes or cocks, he may refuse to turn it on again until the sum of fifty cents (50c) has been paid, and he shall have received satisfactory evidence that the necessary repairs have been made and all cause of complaint removed.

7. All persons desiring a supply of water shall make application in writing therefor on one of the forms furnished for that purpose by the city, and in case the application is for a new service, or for the extension of an old one, such application shall only be received from the owner of the property to be supplied, or his duly authorized agent, and it must state in detail all purposes for which the water is required. Water will be supplied only to fixtures that have been set up and completed by a plumber licensed by the Water Works Committee.

8. In no case will a permit be granted for a new service where the return for water supplied is less than five dollars ($5) a year.

9. Only one ¾ inch service pipe for the supply of water to any single house or premises shall be laid by the Water Department to the street line, and any person desiring more than one such service pipe shall obtain a special

authorization from the superintendent of the water works, and shall pay all costs in connection therewith. Any person wishing a service pipe larger than ¾ inch, from the main to the street line, shall pay the extra cost of providing such service pipe and fittings, as well as for the extra supply of water.

10. The superintendent or his assistant shall in every case determine the size of the service pipe to be used in supplying any premises and also the position in the street in which it is to be laid.

11. No work of any kind connected with the water system of the city shall be done by others than the employees of the Water Department.

12. No work shall be done by the Water Department upon private property except the placing of meters and the laying of special large services which are to be paid for by the owners of the premises; but the Superintendent or his agent shall have the right of directing all matters in connection with the work inside the premises.

13. In all cases the water takers must show that the pipes, fittings and fixtures within their premises are in accordance with the requirements of the Water Department, and unless the same is shown to the satisfaction of the Superintendent or his agent in charge of the work, connection shall not be made with the street main.

14. All service pipes upon the premises of water takers shall be laid at a depth of not less than five feet below the level of the ground and shall be provided with a stop and waste cock inside the cellar wall.

15. It shall be lawful for the Water Committee to place a water meter on any service, whether the consumer is to be supplied with water under the meter rates or not, and whenever they see fit, to compel the use of water meters by any consumer, and to refuse to supply water to any premises unless the person requiring the water shall sign an agreement to take, use and pay for the water according to the rates provided for that purpose.

16. All property owners shall give every facility for introduction of water meters, and shall protect the same from frost or other damage, and shall at all times at their own cost provide ready and easy means of access to said meters so that they may be examined and read by the superintendent or other agent of the Water Department. All persons are forbidden to interfere with any meter. In no case where a meter is used shall the annual charge be less than ten dollars ($10).

17. Whenever any person refuses or neglects to pay the costs of repairs to any meter for

which they are liable, it shall and may be lawful for the Water Department to shut off the supply of water; and in all cases when a meter fails to register, the consumption shall be ascertained by an average of previous quarters, or by tariff rates.

18. No person shall dispose of any water in any way, except for his own use in accordance with his contract with the Water Dept.

19. No alteration of pipes or fixtures shall be made, and no additional tap or fixtures be put in without a permit from the Water Dept.

20. The Superintendent or his agent may at all reasonable hours enter the premises of any water taker to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

21. None but self-closing closets and urinals shall be permitted in connection with the water works

22. In cases where it may be desired to discontinue the use of any fixtures, before the rate that is payable therefor can be remitted, such fixtures must be completely cut off and detached from the water supply, to the satisfaction of the superintendent or his agent, and no person shall reattach the same without receiving a permit to do so from the Water Department.

23. All persons having attachments for fountains, hose and lawn sprinklers will be held chargeable for the rate therefor whether the same be actually used or not, subject, however, to conditions of the preceding section:
Season for use of hose is from the first of May to first of October.

24. Street washers and yard hydrants are to have nozzles not larger than ¼ inch. They are not to be converted into jets, or used for wetting any area other than the one defined in the application therefor.

25. No person except the superintendent or his agent shall tap or make any connection with the city mains or distributing pipes.

26. Fountains shall not be used more than four hours a day. The Water Department reserve the right to suspend or discontinue the furnishing of water to any fountain, hose or jet whenever the public interest shall require it.

27. No contractor, builder or other person shall use for building purposes of any kind any water from any pipe, main or hydrant of the Sherbrooke Water Works, without first making application in writing at the office of the Water Department, and furnishing an estimate of the number of bricks, yards of stone and plaster for which water is required, and pay the rates in advance, fixed by this by-law upon such quantities, and if more materials are

used than in the original estimate, the applicant shall pay any additional charges on the completion of the work.

28. No person shall hitch any horse or other animal to any fire hydrant or water column, or cover or pile any material around or on top of any stop box, valve box or fire hydrant.

29. (a) Any plumber wishing to do business in connection with the Sherbrooke Water Works, must first obtain a license from the Water Department and must agree to be governed in all respects by the rules which are or may be adopted by the Water Department, and said license shall be renewed on the first of May of each year

(b) Any plumber who shall do, alter or remove any work in connection with the water works without first obtaining a permit, stating in detail all purposes for which the water is to be used, shall forfeit his license, and not have it renewed or be allowed to do business either for himself or for any other plumber, in connection with the Water Works, until after the expiration of thirty days, and the payment of a penalty not to exceed twenty dollars ($20.00), at the discretion of the Water Committee.

(c) A stop and waste cock shall be properly located inside the foundation wall of buildings and the pipes so pitched that the water can drain from them whenever and wherever there is danger of freezing

(d) No plumber shall after putting in a service, leave the stop cock open, and in all cases in making repairs where the water is turned off, after the work is tested, the water shall be left shut off.

( ) Before commencing any new work or repairs the plumber must first ascertain whether proper application has been made at the office of the Water Department.

( ) Each plumber shall within twenty-four hours after the completion or alteration of work, make a true return to the Water Works Office, on the blank furnished for that purpose, of all work performed of whatever kind or description in connection with the Water Works; and for any misrepresentation or omission in the statement of work done, or of work to which additions have been made, the plumber may be suspended and fined, and if such error appears to be wilful, his license will be revoked

30. No extension of mains shall be constructed except such be authorized by the City Council and parties signing petitions for extensions of mains shall agree to become consumers of water, and when such mains are extended, may be compelled to pay the usual rates for water whether they become consumers or not. In no case will extensions be made unless a guaranteed revenue of 10 per cent on the cost of such extensions is received before mains will be extended for domestic porposes.

31. In all cases where a double tenement or other building is supplied with water, there shall be a separate service pipe to each from the street line, controlled by a separate street cock, when rates are paid by each occupant. But said double tenement may be supplied by a single service when owned and the rates paid by the same person for the whole building. When water is supplied to more than one family through a single tap, the bill for the whole supply of the property shall be chargeable to the owner; no partial payments shall be received. The above applies to all water services now in use.

32. In all cases where boilers of any kind are supplied with water, the city will not be responsible for any damage which may result to any person or premises from the shutting off of the water, and no deduction from water bills will be made in consequence thereof.

33. During the making of repairs to the water system or the construction of new works, the right to shut off the water from any consumer is hereby reserved, and the city shall not be liable for any damage caused by such shutting off.

34. Occupants of a single dwelling or tenement house in any portion or room of which the water has been introduced, will be charged the schedule rates for water, even though direct access to the water works appliances in said building is not afforded to all the occupants thereof. The same will be the case when the supply is taken from any outside fixture.

35 Contracts will not be made for less than one year.

All persons who shall violate or fail to comply with any provision of this By-law shall be liable to a fine not exceeding $20.00 and costs, and in default of immediate payment of said fine and costs to imprisonment in the common jail for a period of not exceeding 30 days, the said imprisonment to cease on payment of the fine and costs.

The tariff of rates shall be as follows :—

DWELLING HOUSES—

| | | | | |
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| 4 rooms and under, | 1 family, | 1 tap, | | $5.00 |
| 5 " | 1 " | 1 " | | 6 00 |
| 6 and 7 rooms, | 1 " | 1 " | | 7 00 |
| 8 rooms and over, | 1 " | 1 " | | 9 00 |
| Each additional tap, not including hot water taps | | | | 1 00 |

Each tenement with a separate entrance is to be considered as a dwelling house.

DWELLING HOUSES, containing more than one family, and having common entrance.

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| 2 families, each family | $5 00 |
| 3 and 4 families, each family | 4 50 |
| 5 families and over, each family | 4 00 |

Same charge whether supplied from one tap or separate taps.

BATH—

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| Private, 1st | $3 00 |
| Each additional used by same family, | 1 00 |

WATER CLOSET—

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| Private, 1st | $2 00 |
| Each additional when used by same occupant, | 1 00 |

When used by occupants of more than one house, store or office,

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| 2 occupants, each | $2 00 |
| 3 and 4 occupants, each | 1 50 |
| 5 occupants and over, each | 1 00 |

BAKERIES—

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| Up to 2 bbls per day | $8 00 |
| Each additional barrel | 3 00 |

BARBER SHOPS—

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| First chair | $5 00 |
| Each additional | 1 00 |

LAUNDRIES—

Special or Meter.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS, employing up to

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| 10 hands, 1st tap, | $10 00 |
| Each additional tap, | 2 00 |
| First closet, | 5 00 |
| Each additional. | 2 00 |
| Over 100 hands, 1st tap, | 15 00 |

HOTELS, SALOONS AND BOARDING HOUSES—

Special or Meter.

PHOTOGRAPH GALLERIES—

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| 1 tap | $10 00 |

PRINTING OFFICES—

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| 1 tap | $10 00 |

OFFICES—

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| Hospital, 1 tap | $10 00 |
| Other, 1 | 5 00 |
| Each additional tap | 1 00 |

When tap is used by the occupants of other offices, each office, full rate.

STORES—

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| Licensed grocers, 1 tap | $10 00 |
| Wholesale liquor, 1 " | 10 00 |
| Drug 1 " | 8 00 |
| Other 1 " | 5 00 |
| Each additional tap | 1 00 |

When tap is used by the occupants of other stores, each store, full rate.

WASH BOWL—

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| In Bath Room, Free. | |
| Elsewhere in House | $1 00 |

STABLES—

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| Hotel and Livery, each horse | $2 50 |
| Cart and Truck, 1st horse | 2 00 |
| Each additional horse | 1 50 |
| Private, 1st horse | 3 00 |
| Each additional horse | 1 00 |
| For Transients, per stall | 50 |
| Cows, each | 1 00 |

When water is not in stable and is carried by consumer, half of above rates will be charged. Hose is allowed for stable purposes only.

CANDY MANUFACTURERS—

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| 1 Tap | $10 00 |

DRY KILN—

Special.

HOSE—

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| Hand Hose ¾ diameter, ½ inch nozzle, for sprinkling lawns, gardens, and washing windows, use limited to 1 hours per day | $3 00 |
| Connections for fire, each outlet | 5 00 |

FOUNTAINS—

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| 1-16 inch delivery, | $6 00 |
| 1-8 inch delivery, | 8 00 |

Use limited to 4 hours per day.

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| ICE CREAM PARLORS, and Fruit Stores with Soda Water Fountain, | $8 00 |
| When Fountain has constant flow, extra | 2 50 |

BREWERIES—
Special or Meter.

BLACKSMITH SHOPS—

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| First Fire, | $5 00 |
| Each additional, | 1 00 |

BUTCHER AND FISH STALLS—

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| 1 Tap, | $8 00 |

BUILDING PURPOSES—

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| For each 1000 bricks, | 10 |
| For each 100 yards plaster | 5 |
| For each yard of stone | 10 |

RINKS—

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| Skating | $12 00 |
| Curling | 8 00 |

TANNERIES—
Special or Meter.

MOTORS—
Special or Meter.

URINALS

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| Self Closing, | |
| Private, each | $2 00 |
| Public each | 5 00 |

STEAM BOILERS—

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| Per horse power | $1 00 |

SET WASH TUBS—

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| Each | $1 00 |
| No rate for connection less than | 5 00 |

METER RATES

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| Less than 100 gallons per day, per 100 gals. | | | | 03 |
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Special rates for larger consumers.
Rent of Meter $3 00 and upwards.
Enacted at Sherbrooke this 23rd day of May, A.D. 1899.

F. J. GRIFFITH,
Asst. Sec'y Treas.

H. R. FRASER,
Mayor.

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